



TOMAHAWK

1948

EA Cathcart

Dear Miss Cathcart,

I don't know if I shall ever be able to fully express my gratitude for your kind and able assistance to me personally and to the school and Neoga as a whole. If it hadn't been for the music department this year would have been very dull for me, I have never enjoyed anything as much as I have enjoyed singing in the octet and working with you in the music department and I know that this work will always be a pleasant memory. You have given up a lot to work with me and I sure have learned a lot under your direction. Maybe some day I will be able to do something big in music and if I do I will owe a lot of my success to your advice and training. You have been a regular fellow out of school, too, and I appreciate your ready listening ear and your understanding of my trials and temptations. Here is wishing you the best of luck and all the happiness in the world.

Your voice student,

Don



TOMAHAWK



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Neoga, Illinois**



DEDICATION

To the future graduates of N. T. H. S., we wish to dedicate this annual. May they, too, emerge from this institution with high ideals and ambitions. May we all become worthwhile citizens of the United States.

FOREWORD

Once upon a time there existed, according to popular legend, a most striking kingdom. The name of this empire seems to have been lost but its memory lingers. On the following pages you will find a purely imaginary conception of this kingdom as it once might have been. We trust you will use your imagination to fill in the "missing links" and become so lost in the story that it will almost seem to be a reality!

—The Staff.

Any resemblance of the characters in this book to living people is purely co-incidental.

—THE EDITORS.

TOMAHAWK



THE ROYALTY

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HIS ADMINISTRATORS

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THE ROYAL SEAL



—symbolic of fighting prowess
and endurance.





BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Director consists of five members. At the present writing they are Earl Ellis, president; Orville Young, secretary; Louis Brick, Everett Brown, and Walter Bingaman.

These men are the "men behind the scenes" at N. T. H. S. They see to it that teachers are hired and the school is conducted in accordance with set regulations.

The responsibilities and work these men have undertaken is rarely taken into consideration by the students themselves. However, we wish to dedicate this space in our '48 **Tomahawk** to the Board of Directors as a tribute and expression of gratitude for what they have done for N. T. H. S.



Board of Directors



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TOMAHAWK



THE HIGH COURT

—TWENTY-THREE MEMBERS



Neoga Township High School



TOMAHAWK STAFF

Under the guidance of Sir James Leming, Lady Noberta Renshaw, and Lady Elizabeth Cathcart, His Majesty's High Court published this annual containing an account of the past year's activities. This is a traditional practice and the High Court has attempted to produce a book worthy of a kingdom so noted and thriving as ours.

To raise funds we sponsored the annual Homecoming, a carnival, a magazine-selling campaign, and a dramatic production entitled, "One Delirious Night."

We wish to express our sincere thanks to all those who assisted us in publishing this annual: local merchants, supporters, friends, and members of the Lower Courts.

PICTURE (Opposite Page)

First Row: Lawrence Fox, Judy Green, Ruth Anderson, Wanda South, Betty Huff, Floyd Wente, Betty Worland, Bonnie Baker, Donna Beals, Miss Cathcart.

Second Row: Lloyd Blair, Warren Baker, John Dollar, Earl Hatten, Janet Green, Sylve Michlig, Doris Icenogle, Jeanine Brown, Marjorie Zimmer.

Third Row: Morris Strohl, Francis Wassom, Vernon Brown, James Meek, James Hartke, Carl Brady, James Buchanan, Don Kraft, John Wente, Lloyd Kingery, Dean Gordon.



Tomahawk Staff



Betty Worland



Betty Huff



Floyd Wente



The Entire Staff

Miss Cathcart



Mrs. Renshaw



Mr. Leming

-Advisors-

the Royal Banner



Wanda



Sim "Buck"



Carl



Betty + "Pop"



Bonnie



Foxie



Betsy Huff



Judy



Francis



Morris



Betty Jean



Floydie



Ruthie



Margie



Junior \$



Jimmie



Donny



Johnny

Symbolic of the
Promise of a Great Future



RECORD OF THE HIGH COURT

Back in September, 1945, thirty-six papooses entered the institution of learning known as Neoga Township High School. Of the thirty-six that entered, twenty-three have emerged triumphant. Along the road of learning we lost the following: Imogene Jones, Dolores Lane, Thelma Cordes, Deloris Wright, Bill Woods, Jessie True, Dale Patrick, and Arline Smith. Six of our classmates transferred to other schools. These are: Dorothy Dewar, Charles Miller, Betty Parker, Leonard McKinney, Norma Jean Valkinburg, and Loella Hill. We have also added several members to our class. They are: Betty Walk, James Buchanan, Francis Wassom, and James Meek.

The business of our senior year has been very successfully and efficiently handled by Floyd Wenthe, president; John Dollar, vice-president; Betty Worland, secretary-treasurer; Judy Green and John Wenthe, student council members; and Mr. Shields as faculty sponsor.

The four years of our stay at N. T. H. S. have been highlighted by many memorable and enjoyable activities:

How could we forget the Prom of 1947 when the study hall was transformed into a beautiful "Old Dutch Garden" complete with wishing-well, dikes, tulips and an old Dutch windmill?

As juniors we also presented very successfully "The Charming Intruder," a three-act comedy.

At the Homecoming dance this year, the king and queen were both seniors, Judy Green and James Buchanan. Senior attendants were Bonnie Baker, Carl Brady, and Lawrence Fox.

The class has had a lot of fun and also work financing the Tomahawk with a carnival, a magazine-selling campaign and by selling ads.

As a climax of the four years spent at Neoga High, the seniors presented the three-act comedy, "One Delirious Night," under the direction of Mr. Shields.

Upon graduating May 28, the Senior Class of '48 will go forth to make use of the knowledge and training gained from their high school years. These have been profitable years to be cherished and remembered always.





HIGH COURT OFFICIALS

FLOYD WENTE
"F. B."

Military Drill	1
Basketball	1-2-3
Library	2-3-4
Messenger	3-4
Softball	2
Class President	2-4
Tomahawk	4
Class Play	4

JOHN DOLLAR
"\$"

Military Drill	1
Basketball	1-3-4
Class Officer	1-2-4
Baseball	4
Tomahawk	4
Class Play	4
Transferred to and from Orange, California	3

BETTY WORLAND
"Bet"

Tomahawk Co-editor	4
F. H. A.	4
G. A. A.	1-4
Class Officer	1-4
Library	4
Band	1-4
Glee Club	4
Pep Club	1-4
Octet	4
Messenger	4
Class Play	4
Transfer to St. Catherine	2
Transfer from St. Catherine	4

JULIA ANN GREEN
"Judy"

Pep Club	1-2-3-4
Class Officer	2-3-4
Library Club	3-4
Glee Club	3-4
Tomahawk	4
Messenger	4
G. A. A.	3
F. H. A.	4
Class Play	3-4
Homecoming Attendant	3
Homecoming Queen	4

JOHN WENTE
"Heinie"

Military Drill	1
Class Play	3
Boys' Chorus	4
Tomahawk	4
Basketball	1-2-4
Carnival King	4



CLASS OF



Floyd Wente
PRESIDENT

1948

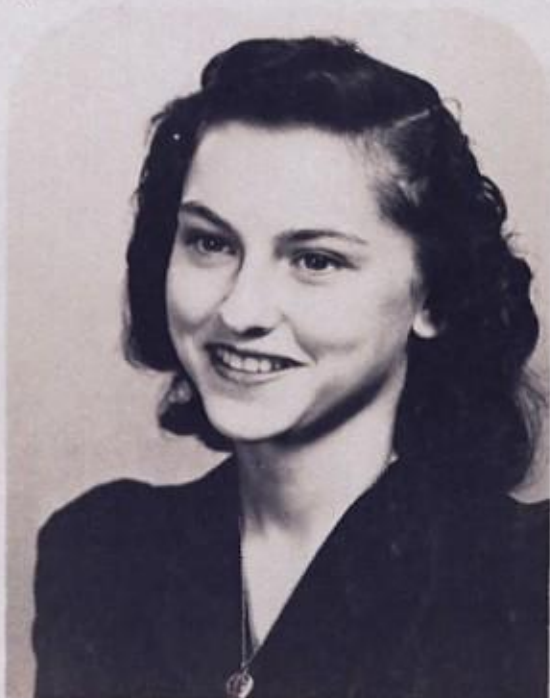


John Dollar
VICE - PRESIDENT

SENIORS



Betty Worland
SECRETARY - TREAS.



Judy Green
STUDENT COUNCIL



John Wente
STUDENT COUNCIL



A DISCOURSE ON THE GRADUATION CLASS

Four long years ago it seemed
Those things of which we'd dreamed
Had come to pass—no longer were we girls and boys
But men and women when our first high school class convened.
Thirty-six of us were then enrolled,
Thirty-six for assiduous instructors to scold,
Some gave up the ghost; some moved away
Till now but twenty-three are in the fold.
Our studies have been a grueling climb
From the frequency of sound to Shakespeare sublime.
We've studied hard that here might we be
For the broadcast of "N. T. H. S. Diploma Time."
Out of the classroom our life has been gay.
We twenty-three are funny that way,
There's always a word of cheer and a smile
To keep us happy through the day.
Down the course till the race is done,
Over the hurdles to the very last one,
We've had our pleasure, we've studied hard,
And soon we will find our vict'ry won.
The students in our group I now present,
On gaining knowledge all are bent.
Yes, all are bent and some 'most broken
So oft' from classroom to office sent.
Lloyd Kingery, Warren, and Lloyd Blair,
Carl, and Francis, and Dollar were there,
Lawrence, Judy, Earl, and Morris,
Bonnie, Margie, and Wanda fair.
James Hartke, James Meek, and James B.
Were like Betty Walk, Betty Huff, and Betty Worland, you see.
John Wente, Ruth, Floyd, and Don
Were members of the jolly twenty-three.
We're nearing the end, we've weathered the gale,
We hope that your studies you never will fail
As we, the seniors, depart from this school
And for the goals of our lives set sail.

—The Vulgar Boatman.

The Vulgar Boatman



Neoga Township High School

*Here's a personally autographed copy
of one of my best sellers.
Don*



TOMAHAWK

Morris Strohl "Bodie"	Don Kraft "Boob"	Ruth Anderson "Ruthie"
Military Drill 1	Class Officer 1-2	G. A. A. 2-3
Tomahawk 4	Band 1-2-3-4	Glee Club 3-4
	Chorus 4	Band 2-3
	Octet 4	F. H. A. 2-3-4
	Military Drill 1	Pep Club 1-2-3-4
	Messenger 2-3-4	Tomahawk 4
	Library 2-3-4	Class Play 4
	Tomahawk 4	
	Class Play 3-4	
	Bonnie Baker "Bunny"	
	Class Play 3-4	
	Homecoming	
	Attendant 3-4	Lloyd Blair "Blair"
James Meek "Jim"	Dandelion Queen 2	Tomahawk 4
Transfer from Sigel 4	Cheerleader 2	F. F. A. 2-4
Tomahawk 4	Class Officer 1-2-3	Messenger 4
F. F. A. Sentinel 4	Messenger 1-2-3-4	
	G. A. A. 1-2-3	
	Glee Club 3-4	
	Pep Club 1-2-3-4	
	Band 1-2-3-4	
	Tomahawk 4	
	Carl Brady "Cy"	
	Basketball 3-4	
	Baseball 3-4	
	Softball 2	James Hartke "Sophie"
	Class Officer 3	Military Drill 1
Betty Walk "Betty Jean"	F. F. A. Officer 2-4	Messenger 4
Transfer from Sigel 2	Military Drill 1	Tomahawk 4
Band 3-4	Library 3	Boys' Chorus 4
Homecoming	Messenger 4	Class Play 3
Attendant 4	Homecoming	Octet 4
Glee Club 3-4	Attendant 4	Basketball 1-4
G. A. A. 2	Class Play 4	Baseball 4
Pep Club 4	Tomahawk 4	
Messenger 4		
Tomahawk 4		





Morris Strohl



Von Kraft



Ruth Anderson



James Meek



Bonnie Baker



Floyd Blair



Betty Walk



Carl Brady



James Hartke



HIGH COURT ELECTIVES

MOST POPULAR	Judy Green	James Buchanan
BEST ATHLETE	Betty Huff	Carl Brady
BEST SCHOLAR	Ruth Anderson	Lloyd Kingery
MOST FRIENDLY	Betty Worland	John Wente
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	Betty Worland	Floyd Wente
BEST MUSICIAN	Bonnie Baker	Lawrence Fox
MOST CO-OPERATIVE	Ruth Anderson	Lloyd Kingery
BEST DRESSED	Bonnie Baker	Francis Wassom





TOMAHAWK

Betty Huff "Bet"	James Buchanan "Buck"	Lloyd Kingery "Loyd"
Pep Club 1-2-3-4	Transfer from	Military Drill 1
Class Play 3-4	Thornton 2	Tomahawk 4
F. H. A. 3-4	Homecoming King 4	Boys' Chorus 4
Tomahawk Co-Editor 4	Homecoming	Class Play 4
Glee Club 3-4	Attendant 3	
Library Club 3-4	Baseball 3-4	
Messenger 2-3-4	Softball 2	
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4	Class Officer 2-3	Lawrence Fox "Foxie"
Carnival Queen 4	Basketball 2-3-4	Military Drill 1
	Octet 4	Messenger 4
	Boys' Chorus 4	Library Club 3
	Tomahawk 4	Homecoming
	Library 3	Attendant 3-4
	Class Play 4	Boys' Chorus 4
		Band 1-2-3-4
		F. F. A. President 2-4
Francis Wassom "Wassom"	Marjorie Zimmer "Margie"	Pep Club 3-4
Transfer from Sigel 4	G. A. A. 1-2-4	Class Officer 3
Boys' Chorus 4	F. H. A. 1-2-4	Class Play 3-4
Messenger 4	Band 1-4	Basketball Manager 4
Tomahawk 4	Tomahawk 4	Tomahawk 4
Basketball Manager 4	Glee Club 3-4	
	Octet 4	Wanda South "Tiny"
	Pep Club 1-2-3-4	Class Play 3-4
	Class Play 3	G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
		Editor of Messenger 3-4
Warren Baker "Bake"	Earl Hatten "Zeke"	Glee Club 3-4
Military Drill 1	Military Drill 1	Cheerleader 4
Messenger 4	Messenger 4	Tomahawk 4
Tomahawk 4	Tomahawk 4	Octet 4
F. F. A. 4		Class Officer 1-3
		Pep Club 1-2-3-4
		Library 3-4
		F. H. A. 4

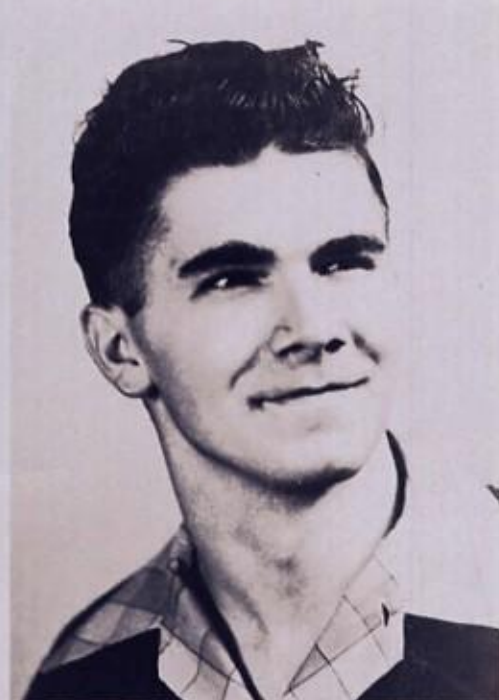




Betty Huff



Jim Buchanan



Lloyd Hingery



Francis Wasson



Marjorie Zimmer



Lawrence Fox



Warren Baker



Earl Hatten



Wanda South

CLASS WILL

The Senior Class of 1948, before passing from the portals of this hallowed institution, desires to put in writing the following will:

The Class of '48 wills to—

MR. HANCE—a full time secretary.

MR. SHIELDS—a quiet, attentive, well-mannered English class.

MR. LEMING—a piano to be conveniently placed in the Ag. Room.

MR. TAYLOR—100% victory at all the basketball games next year.

MRS. RENSHAW—a class roomful of 85-word a minute typists.

MRS. BELL—a referee whistle that sounds like a fog-horn.

MISS RASMUSSEN—a quiet, well-ordered third period study hall.

MISS CATHCART—a snappy 50-piece playing band.

“PETE” WENTE—a neat, orderly, uncluttered English room.

As an individual,

I, RUTH ANDERSON, will my secretary job to AMOS OVERMEYER.

I, BONNIE BAKER, will my typing ability to CHARLOTTE EVANS.

I, BETTY WORLAND, will my ability to be on time to NANCY LAWRENCE.

I, MARGIE ZIMMER, will my brilliant memory to ELEANOR LOU-THAN.

I, WANDA SOUTH, will my cheerleading suit to DOLORES WILSON.

I, JUDY GREEN, will my Homecoming crown to JANET GREEN.

I, BETTY WALK, will my noon hour meanness to NORMA BARRETT.

I, BETTY HUFF, will my job of playing for chorus to MARY ELLEN ABEL.

I, MORRIS STROHL, will my ability to ride a motorcycle to DORIS ICENOGLA.

I, CARL BRADY, will my free trucking service to any unlucky sucker.

I, WARREN BAKER, will my office as Reporter in FFA to RUSSELL BLAIR.

I, LLOYD KINGERY, will my quiet attitude in class to JULIAN KIMERY.

I, FLOYD WENTE, will my office job to some unlucky underclassman.

I, DON KRAFT, will my extensive grapevine system and my ability to be “in the know” to CHARLES ROY.

I, FRANCIS WASSOM, will my helpful words and thoughts in class to BILL WILSON.

I, JAMES MEEK, will my Model A bumper to GENE FOX.

I, LAWRENCE FOX, will my drumming ability to “SPIKE” EVANS.

I, JOHN WENTE, will my attention in English class to DICK RAWLINGS.

I, JAMES HARTKE, will my singing ability to RICHARD KEPP.

I, LLOYD BLAIR, will my moustache to RICHARD SMITH.

I, JOHN DOLLAR, will my bashfulness to DEAN GORDON.

I, EARL HATTEN, will my way with the girls to my kid brother, EUGENE.

I, JIM BUCHANAN, will my sharp plane in shop to DICK RAWLINGS.

WITNESSES:

I. B. TRUTHFUL,

U. R. NUTS,

LOTTA BALONEY.

PROPHECY

The other day while cruising around over the South Pacific, I saw a small island. On it were two figures who were waving frantically. So I set my Super Sonic Eight down on the beach. As soon as the plane stopped rolling Don Kraft and Floyd Wentte came running up to the ship. It seems that Don, with Floyd as photographer, had been sailing to Hawaii to engineer the building of an atomic plant. But the ship had run into a radioactive cloud and they had been forced to abandon it. So I rocketed them back to the States where they reported to the proper authorities.

On finishing that task we went to the Local Hotspot, where Lawrence Fox and his band were playing. At the Hotspot we ran into Admiral Dollar, so we sat down and talked over old times. When the waitress came over, we saw that she was none other than Marge Zimmer. She said that she was now married to the owner of the Hotspot, Lloyd Blair. When Floyd remarked how good the food was, she said it had been prepared by their own chef, Warren Baker, and that the meat had been purchased from the Hatten Meat Packing Co., owned by Earl. Marge asked us if we were going to stay for the floor show. She said that the star was the one and only Wanda South. I told her that I was very sorry but as it was getting late we must go.

As we drove back to the terminal we turned on the television radio and heard the "Three Bets" present their program. As they came into focus on the screen, we saw that they were Bet Worland, Bet Huff, and Bet Walk, accompanied by Lloyd Kingery at the piano.

Just then we arrived at the terminal in time to see John Wentte and James Hartke servicing my plane. Don went in to buy the tickets and when he returned he said that Ruth Anderson was phone operator at the terminal. Just then the loudspeaker announced that the plane for Washington was leaving in two minutes. So Don and Floyd said goodbye and climbed into the ship. As I was driving back to my hotel I turned on the radio and heard Francis Wassom on his new radio show, "Can You Top This?"

Just then I heard a scream of rubber tires, followed by a thunderous crash. Two vehicles had collided. One was a car and the other a bus loaded with boys. I ran over to the wreck, where a middle aged man was running around checking on all of the boys. The man was no other than Coach Carl Brady from Yale. It seems Brady's university had chartered a bus to take the football squad to Purdue where they were to play Coach Jim Buchanan's team. The manager of the team was the only one who was hurt. Just then there was a wail of a siren as an ambulance skidded around the corner. The driver was none other than Morris Strohl, who had gained his driving ability from driving a "cycle" at N. T. H. S. The doctor was Dr. Jim Meek, who was accompanying the ambulance. While Dr. Meek was checking the patients to see that there were no further injuries, I asked Morris if he knew the whereabouts of any of his classmates. He told me that Bonnie Baker and Judy Green were both working in the office of the Hospital as typists. Thus hearing all the tales of the classmates of '48 and also ending a hectic day, I returned to my hotel.



THE LOWER COURTS

FIRST RANK SUBJECTS

SECOND RANK SUBJECTS

THE KING'S FOOLS





RECORD OF FIRST RANK SUBJECTS

The doors swing in and the doors swing out, but this Junior Class boasts a fine record of starting the school year with thirty-six members and keeping this number throughout the year. The officers responsible for this class are Gib Kingery as president; Carl Scoles, vice-president; Jeanine Brown, secretary-treasurer; and Thelma Beals and Gene Fox as student council members. Mrs. Bell has been the class sponsor behind these officers.

You have witnessed the Junior Class behind many social events at NTHS this year. Among these are the Prom, Junior Class play, and their support was also behind the seniors in the presentation of the Carnival.

The class is proud of their boys that make up the athletic teams. They have been well represented in all sports. Of the sixteen boys, ten of them were represented on the basketball team and of those six remaining, one was a manager. The basketball team was the champion of the school as a result of the tournament. Not overlooking the girls; they have been equally successful in their undertakings. Members of the Junior Class can be found in every school organization. They have contributed greatly to their treasury with their sales at basketball games, and participated in the marching band, as well as the Octet and Mixed Chorus.

We are proud to consider ourselves as the Class of '49 and are equally proud of the records we are setting in our wake as we go through the portals of NTHS.



Juniors



Gilbert Kingery
President



Carl Scoles
Vice-President



Jennine Brown
Secretary



Gene Fox



Thelma Beals
Student Council



Marjory Lindley



Bill Wilson



Norma Jean Wolke



Janet Green



Richard Kepp



Betty Baker



Sara Abel



Donald Bell



Sylve Michlig



William Farr



Dorothy Beals



Raymond Busher



Richard Rawlings



Eleanor Louthan



Julian Kimery



Mary Lou Wente



Claudis Goad



Doris Icenogle



John Shoemaker



Hazel Beals



Kenneth Wolf



Mary Morton



Ruth Drennan



Lulu Belle Zimmer



Raymond Stretch



Mary Patrick



Darlene Gaddis



Bill Montgomery



Louise Jones



Deann Gordon



Rose White



Cleo Goad



FIRST RANK ELECTIVES

MOST POPULAR	Eleanor Louthan.....	Gilbert Kingery
BEST SCHOLAR	Janet Green.....	Dean Gordon
BEST MUSICIAN	Eleanor Louthan.....	Gene Fox
MOST CO-OPERATIVE	Cleo Goad.....	Richard Kepp
MOST FRIENDLY	Betty Baker.....	Bill Wilson
BEST DRESSED	Darlene Gaddis.....	Bill Montgomery
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	Jeanine Brown.....	Claudius Goad
BEST ATHLETE	Sara Abel.....	Carl Scoles





RECORD OF THE SECOND RANK SUBJECTS

Twenty-nine boys and girls began their sophomore year at N. T. H. S. last fall. With Mr. Taylor as faculty sponsor, they elected the following officers: Dick Luedke, president; Bob Price, vice-president; Louise Miller, secretary-treasurer; and Dolores Wilson and Russell Blair, student council members.

The class had charge of the Freshman Initiation at an all-school party in the early fall. The freshmen received some tough sentences from Judge Parker and his jury. They also put on a Christmas program in the assembly for the students and faculty.

"Spike" Evans and Roth Iler were elected from the class as cheerleaders to help lead the N. T. H. S. "Red Peppers." Louise Miller and Bob Price represented the sophs at the coronation of the Carnival king and queen. Louise was second attendant and Bob was first.

Class members have been active in GAA, FHA, FFA, basketball, baseball, PE, library, chorus, band, Pep Club, and Messenger.



Sophomores



Richard Luedke
President



Bob Price
Vice-President



Louise Miller
Secretary



Russel Blair



Deloris Wilson

Student Council



Dwight Evans



Margaret Saunders



James Parker



Eloise Haskett



Robert Zimmer



Ann Snyder



Patsy Wente



Donald Walk



Shirley Moore



Robert Zimmer



Louise Lane



Tommy Bell



Margaret Wassom



Roth Iler



Betty Cordes



Cleo True



Donna Beals



Ann Huff



Richard Ooden



Charlotte Evans



Richard Smith



Goldie Hill



Alice Fitzwilliams



Dale Morton



SECOND RANK ELECTIVES

MOST POPULAR	Louise Miller	Dwight Evans
BEST SCHOLAR	Shirley Moore	Richard Ogden
BEST MUSICIAN	Ann Snyder	Dwight Evans
MOST CO-OPERATIVE	Louise Lane	Richard Ogden
MOST FRIENDLY	Eloise Haskett	Russell Blair
BEST DRESSED	Donna Beals	Richard Luedke
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	Ann Huff	Richard Smith
BEST ATHLETE	Dolores Wilson	Bob Price





RECORD OF THE KING'S FOOLS

The "freshies" this year elected Bill Wente, president; Charles Roy, vice-president; Don Stewart, secretary; Keith Myers and Donald Sanders, student council members. The freshman girls didn't have a chance in the elections. They were too divided in voting, but the boys "stuck together." The initiation party was held in the study hall on September 26, at 7:30 P. M. Harsh sentences were passed on the freshmen by the jury, but the faculty had a crooked lawyer and were let off easy.

The girls took active part in their noon basketball and volleyball tournaments. The boys turned out lively for basketball and other sports. (A mighty good-looking bunch, if I say so myself.)

Mary Ellen Abel helped lead cheers at the basketball games. She and Earl Price were on the attendant list at the Carnival: Mary Ellen, first attendant and Earl, fourth attendant. A number of the boys show signs of real basketball ability. Members of the class were also active in GAA, FFA, FHA, Red Peppers, Chorus and Band.

Lastly, I want to hand it to the teachers—for it takes a lot of courage to stay with such a howling, rough, and hard-to-bluff bunch of freshmen!



Freshmen



Kieth Myers
Student Council



Charles Roy
Vice-President



Bill Wente
President



Don Stewart
Secretary



Don Sanders
Student Council



Juanita Patrick



Richard Morgan



Betty Seeley



Doris Hagen



Lawrence Parsley



Phyllis Wilson



Charles Price



Frances Schroeder



Dean Overmeyer



Joyce senteney



Eugene Hatten



Wanda Ryder



Roy Strohl



Mary Ann Hartke



Roy Walk



Betty Beals



Earl Price



Donna Fort

WITTICISMS

Mr. Leming: I just sent a boy to the "mourners' bench" for cheating in a biology test.

Mr. Hance: What did he do?

Mr. Leming: I caught him counting his ribs.

"Oh! the living room and the bedroom are just wonderful," she gushed, "and the bathroom is simply out of this world."

One of her friends piped up, "Isn't that a little bit inconvenient?"

One of two women riding on a bus suddenly realized she hadn't paid her fare. "I'll go right up and pay it," she declared.

"Why bother?" her friend replied. "You got away with it, didn't you?"

"I've found that honesty pays," the other said virtuously, and went up front to pay the driver.

"See, I told you that honesty pays," she said when she returned. "I handed the driver a quarter and he gave me change for fifty cents."

Mother—Betty, look in the paper and see what it says about the weather tomorrow.

Betty—I guess they haven't decided yet. The paper says, weather unsettled."

Did you hear about the fellow who stayed up all night trying to figure out where the sun went when it went down? Finally it dawned on him.

Freshman: "Hey! You can't take that girl home. She is the reason I came to the party."

Senior: "Sorry, son; you've lost your reason."

Your mind is truly a wonderful thing. It starts working the minute you get up, and never stops until you get to school.

Soph: "You ought to take chloroform."

Frosh: "Yeh? Who teaches it?"

A telephone operator in a Midwestern city answered an agitated signaling from a pay station and a tearful feminine voice: "Operator, can I have my nickel back? Albert won't speak to me?"

"Now, my son," asked the conscientious father, "Why did I punish you?"

"That's it, you pound the life out of me and then try to find out why."

Does that new girl friend of yours have much to say?

No, but that don't keep her from talking.

Jim: "I shall never marry until I find a girl who is my direct opposite."

Judy: "Well, there are a number of intelligent girls in this neighborhood."

Shirley: "I'm a neighbor of yours now; I live just across the river."

Miss Balch: "Well, well, I do hope you drop in some day."

Miss Week married Mr. Day. The local paper reported the event in these words:

A Week is lost, a Day is gained;
But time should not complain,
For soon there will be Days
enough
To make a Week again.

If you perchance
Don't like the bit
That's fillin' up this place,
Remember that
A paper's queer
With lots of empty space.



ELECTIVES OF THE KING'S FOOLS

MOST POPULAR	Mary Ellen Abel	Don Stewart
BEST SCHOLAR	Nancy Lawrence	Dean Overmeyer
BEST MUSICIAN	Wanda Ryder	Buddy Sanders
MOST CO-OPERATIVE	Doris Hagan	Jack Anderson
MOST FRIENDLY	Doris Hagan	Earl Price
BEST DRESSED	Elizabeth Hellman	Don Stewart
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	Dulcey Brown	Dean Overmeyer
BEST ATHLETE	Patricia Ogden	Bill Went



More Freshmen



Jack Anderson



Norma Barrett



Vernon Brown



Nancy Lawrence



Leo Hardesty



Elizabeth Hellman



Bill Clark



Christine Pogsley



Robert Miller



Lucille Michlig



Jack Beals



Patricia Oden



James Lindley



Patricia Bushur



Robert Koester



Dulcey Brown



Gene Fear



Maxine Walk



Barbara Moore



Robert Brady



Mary Ellen Abel



Ida Jane Andrews



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HOMEcoming

The annual Homecoming for 1947 was held on December 19. As is traditional, the Indians played a tough basketball game against Teutopolis before the dance. Although we didn't win the coveted wooden shoe, the dance proved to be a very gala affair.

The assembly was decorated in accordance with the theme, "Winter Wonderland." Bob Douthit and his Orchestra played in front of a snow scene backdrop and the throne was on a huge snow drift. Snowy trees, a drop ceiling, wreaths in the windows, and a jolly snow-man helped complete the effect.

The coronation was held promptly at 10:00 P. M. The King and Queen of 1946, Jack Ellis and Lucille Fox, were present to place the 1947 crowns on King Jim Buchanan and Queen Judy Green. The attendants were: Bonnie Baker and Carl Brady, first; Janet Green and Lawrence Fox, second; Betty Walk and Carl Scoles, third; Eleanor Louthan and Gilbert Kingery, fourth. Charlotte Greeson and Charles Leming preceded the procession throwing confetti, and Donald and Donna Lane followed, carrying the crowns on royal pillows.

The Homecoming is one of the highlights at NTHS sponsored by the Seniors, enjoyed by all, and remembered with pleasure.



Homecoming



December 19





BASKETBALL

A large number of boys turned out for basketball this past season. The Indians started out with a series of heart-breaking defeats but rallied up before the season was over. Their first victory was won at the Neoga Holiday Tournament in our gym. As a result of this victory, they received a third place trophy.

The Indians played in three tournaments: the Neoga Holiday Tournament, the National Trail Conference Tourney at Beecher City, and the Regional Tourney in Effingham. The Indians lost to St. Anthony but defeated Toledo in the first of these contests. They lost both to Altamont and Stewardson in the NTC tourney, and lost to Effingham in the Regional.

The boys were coached by Loren E. Taylor, new here this year. They chose Jim Buchanan as their captain.

At the close of the season, the boys were honored at three banquets. Mr. Moomaw, the regular bus driver, sponsored a feast in Neoga. The second "big feed" was the traditional National Trail Banquet in Teutopolis.

The third and last banquet was our own here in the gym. The Pinckneyville coach, Mr. Merrill "Duster" Thomas, gave a highly interesting talk about the making of a warrior. He brought three champion Pinckneyville players with him, who also said a few words. Mr. Shields served as toastmaster. Captain Buchanan and Big Chief Mr. Hance also spoke on the program. Varsity, second team, and cheerleading letters were awarded by Coach Taylor. To Carl Brady he awarded both the Most Valuable Player trophy and the Free Throw trophy.

BASKETBALL GAME SCHEDULE

	We	They			
			Jan. 13—Stewardson here	41	33
Nov. 14—Greenup here	24	29	Jan. 16—Cowden there	34	42
Nov. 18—St. Anthony here	25	27	Jan. 20—Beecher City there	36	40
*Nov. 21—Humboldt there	36	39	Jan. 23—Strasburg there	37	60
Nov. 26—Teutopolis there	33	66	Jan. 27—Lerna here	64	33
Dec. 2—Louisville there	34	38	Jan. 28—Toledo there	45	38
Dec. 5—Stewardson there	32	50	Jan. 30—Brownstown here	36	68
Dec. 9—St. Elmo there	34	48	Feb. 3—Humboldt here	41	40
Dec. 12—Beecher City here	37	41	*Feb. 10—St. Anthony there	48	37
Dec. 19—Teutopolis here	18	56	Feb. 13—Charleston TC here	38	61
Dec. 30-31—Holiday Tournament:			*Feb. 17—Lerna there	77	31
St. Anthony	24	28	Feb. 20—Altamont there	27	77
Toledo	45	33	Feb. 24—Toledo here	67	44
Jan. 5-9—NTC Tourney:			Feb. 27—Newton here	34	35
Altamont	34	58	Mar. 2-5—Regional Tourney:		
Stewardson	37	45	Effingham	39	61

* Unscheduled games.





BASKETBALL BOYS

JIM BUCHANAN—"Buck," captain of the squad, was an able leader, and possessed of those qualities which make for good leadership. His aggressive play was an inspiration to his teammates, and those long shots bordered on the sensational.

CARL BRADY—Carl was the high scorer for the Indians this season and was a contributing factor in most of the victories. Carl not only had a dead eye for the basket but was also a good guard. The loss of him next season will be a great one.

GIB KINGERY—Gib proved his worth as a guard this year. His assignment was to take the opponent's high scorer and hold him. A junior this year, Gib will be returning next year for a successful season. He was always on the move and most of his points were driving through the center.

DEAN GORDON—Playing the pivot position on offense, the team worked their plays around him. A good rebounder and his consistent scoring always kept the Indians in the ball game. Also a junior, he will be returning to next year's squad.

KENNETH WOLF—"Fuzz," as the team called him, pulled many a ball game out of the bag. Tall, with long arms, he was a great rebounder and always seemed to find the hoop. Coming along rather slowly at the first of the season, he saw a lot of action always.

CARL SCOLES—Carl, together with Gib, worked the guard position well, and also at times moved to the pivot position. A badly sprained ankle slowed him at the end of the season, but next year, his presence will be a great value to the squad.

RICHARD KEPP—Small in stature, but plenty of scrap, and a good eye for the basket from near the free throw circle. Being a junior, Kepp is one for an optimistic view on next year's season.

JOHN WENTE—"Heinie" has a million dollar smile, but in addition he also had a good knowledge of basketball. Due to the lack of previous experience, he was handicapped at the start of the season, but improved as the season progressed. "Heinie" is a Senior.

JAMES HARTKE—"Sophie" probably improved more than any player during the season, and at the close could rebound with the best of them. Being a Senior, we can only imagine what a ball player he would have been with four years experience.

JOHN DOLLAR—John at times was the spark plug of the team, and with his aggressive dribbling, gave the needed speed, to combat a pressing defense. Being a Senior, those left-handed shots and passes will be missed next year.





"Gordon"

h Gordon



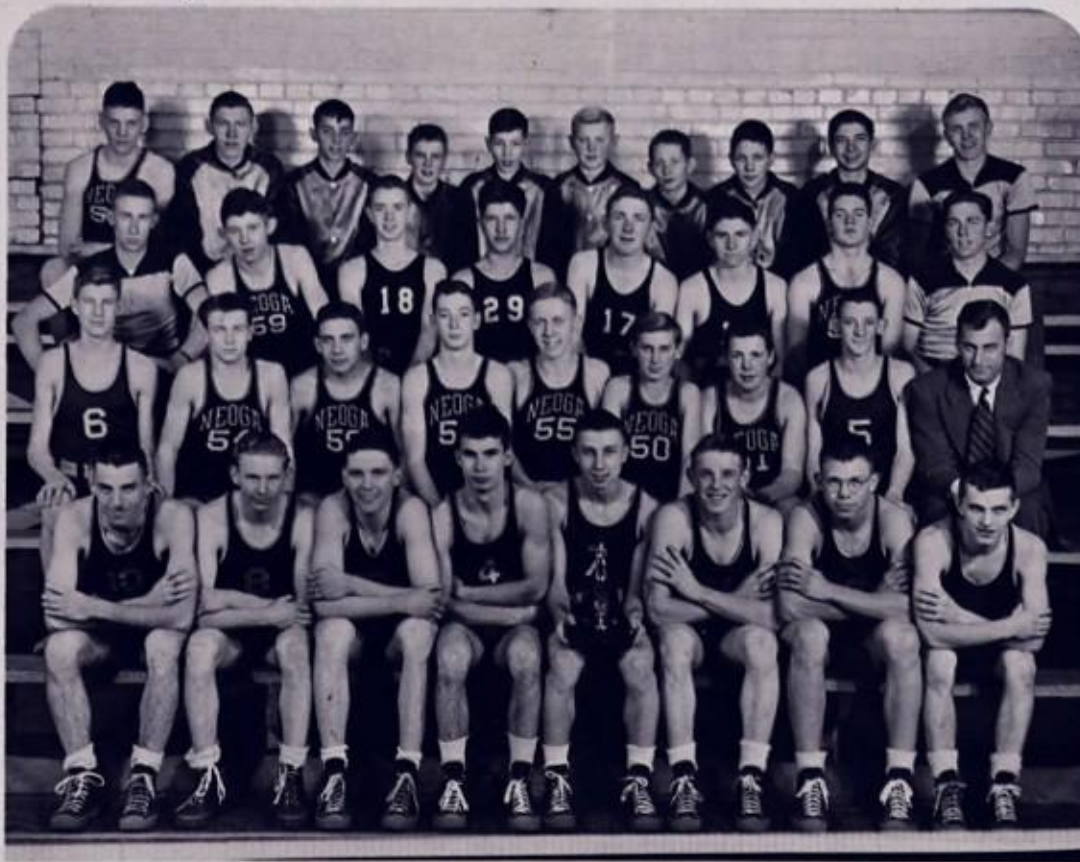
Coach



"Cy"



"Gib"



The Squad



"Buck"



"Sophie"



"Cedric"



"Bodie"



"Heinie"



"Fuzz"



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BASEBALL SEASON

Last fall, arrangements were made among Altamont, Beecher City, Brownstown, Stewardson, Cowden, and Neoga to form a baseball league. Each team played 10 games—two against every team. The home games were held at the park and the entire student body was permitted to attend. A bus was hired to transport the team to out-of-town games and the extra seats were filled by students. These games provided for fall sports and were followed with interest.

Baseball games were resumed in the spring under a similar program.

FALL BASEBALL SCHEDULE

	We	They
Sept. 9—Altamont	2	0
Sept. 12—Beecher City	12	14
Sept. 16—Brownstown	1	11
Sept. 19—Cowden	12	7
Sept. 23—Stewardson	5	4
Sept. 26—Altamont(OT)	3	4
Sept. 30—Beecher City	0	1
Oct. 3—Brownstown	4	17
Oct. 6—Cowden	12	6
Oct. 8—Stewardson(OT)	4	3

Neoga tied for fourth place in the league.

BASEBALL BOYS

RICHARD KEPP. Played first base for the Indians this season. A good hitter and a fast runner kept him dangerous at bat and on base. He was also a good defensive player.

BOB PRICE. Held down the second base position. Bob also was fast on his feet and could cover a lot of territory—both defensively and at the bat.

JIM HARTKE. Proved a very capable shortstop. Jim was able to scoop up hard hit ground balls near him.

GIB KINGERY. Hard hitting third baseman. Gib was one of the leaders in hitting percentage. Gib was also a good defensive player. He had a good arm and could whip the ball to first base with ease.

CARL BRADY. Regular catcher. "Cy" proved to be one of the most valuable men on the field. Besides catching he did some pitching. Brady was the other leader in batting and was dangerous with the bat.

CARL SCOLES. Played center field and was a good man in the outfield. Carl had a good outfield arm and could cover lots of territory. He should be a regular on next year's team.





DEAN GORDON. Fast on his feet and his ability to judge fly balls kept Dean valuable on defense. Dean was a good hitter, also, coming through in the clutches.

JOHN DOLLAR. Played right field for the Indians last season. Dollar was left handed and used his left arm to a great advantage. John also was fast and covered plenty of ground.

JIM BUCHANAN. Our regular pitcher this season. "Buck" developed into a very good hurler. He is very fast on the bases and very dangerous with the bat.

KEITH MYERS. Did some catching while Brady was on the mound. With Brady leaving this year Keith will take over the catching chores.

DWIGHT EVANS. Played in the outfield and was fast on his feet. "Spike" has possibilities of developing into a good ball player.

KENNETH WOLF. "Fuzz" played in the outfield for the Indians. With some training Wolf could be a powerful hitter.

DON STEWART. Has great possibilities of making a good shortstop or infielder. Don played a few games at shortstop this season.

CHEERLEADERS

The Neoga Indians were faithfully supported this year by the "Red Peppers" and five "live wire" cheerleaders.

An election for cheerleaders was held in the fall and the outcome was two boys: Dwight (Spike) Evans and Roth Iler; and three girls: Eleanor Louthan, Mary Ellen Abel, and Wanda South.

Eleanor was a cheerleader in '47 and upon being re-elected took up the task of teaching four new recruits. It appears she was successful because all five did an excellent job. They not only did a fine job of leading cheers, but they made a flashy picture in their new uniforms. The girls wore red wool jumpers with white blouses, tights, and red hair-bands with their names on them. The boys wore gray pants with a red stripe down the side, white shirts, red hats, and red bow ties.

PICTURE (Opposite Page)

Roth Iler

"Spike" Evans

Mary Ellen Abel

Eleanor Louthan

Wanda South







INTER-CLASS TOURNAMENT

On March 16 and 17 an inter-class tournament was held at night in the gym. Each class supplied a basketball team and cheerleaders. The Juniors took first place, the Seniors took second, the Sophomores took third, and the Freshmen took fourth.



NOON TOURNAMENTS

Both the boys and girls had basketball tournaments during the noon hours throughout each week. On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, the boys' teams played. They were: the "Plow-jockeys" under Coach Scoles, the "4-F's" (Five Furious Fightin' Fugitives), under Coach Gordon, the "Skinny Slickers" under Coach Kingery, the "Rinkydinks" under Coach Brady, the "Hotrods" under Coach Wolf, the "Jugheads" under Coach Kepp, the "Swishers" under Coach Buchanan, and the "Jumpin' Jews from Jerusalem" under Coach Dollar. The "Rinkydinks" came through with the championship trophy and the "Skinny Slickers" took second.

The sophomore girls triumphed in the girls' basketball tournament. At the present writing, the volleyball championship has not been determined. Their games were played on Tuesdays and Thursdays. These games were followed with interest by many of the students and supplied noon recreation.





RED PEPPERS

In the fall of the year, a pep club was organized. All those interested met in the gym and chose the following officers: Judy Green, president; Betty Huff, vice-president; and Betty Walk, secretary.

The name "Red Peppers" was chosen for the club and hats were sent for with NTHS on them for identification. The hats were late arriving but the Red Peppers have had a very good cheering section at all game for the Neoga Indians. We had meetings in the gym before big games for pep talks, yells, and to inspire the Indians to fight for victory.

The membership of the club includes almost the entire student body as the picture at the right shows.

G. A. A.

The Girls' Athletic Association boasts of forty members this year. They elected the following officers: Wanda South, president; Betty Huff, vice-president; Sara Abel, secretary; and Betty Worland, treasurer. Mrs. Bell acted as sponsor.

The purpose of the G. A. A. is to promote interest in girls' sports. A number of the girls attended Play Day at Charleston T. C. on March 6. Ten girls entered the telegraphic free-throw shooting contest. The girls also sponsored a cookies sale. The cookies were baked in the Home Ec. department on a Saturday morning and delivered that afternoon.

PICTURE (Opposite Page)

- G Donna Beals, Margaret Saunders, Nancy Lawrence, Betty Huff, Bonnie Baker, Mary Ann Hartke, Maxine Walk, Darlene Gaddis, Eleanor Louthan, Phyllis Wilson, Barbara Moore, Louise Jones, Betty Beals, Wanda South
- A Mary Patrick, Betty Worland, Doris Icenogle, Marjorie Lindley, Sylve Michlig, Dulcey Brown, Mrs. Bell, Louise Miller, Elizabeth Hellman, Mary Ellen Abel, Marjorie Zimmer, Pat Bushur, Dolores Wilson, Lucille Michlig.
- A Margaret Wassom, Ida Jane Andrews, Patsy Wente, Donna Fort, Sara Abel, Ann Snyder, Jeanine Brown, Mary Lou Wente, Dorothy Beals, Pat Ogden, Norma Barrett, Eloise Haskett, Judy Green.







SCHOOL SONG

So let us cheer, cheer, cheer Neoga High,
And show our loyalty each day;
With faith in all our standards we will back
The scarlet and the gray;
And we will fight! fight! with all our might
For honor and for cause of right.
Give three cheers for team and school—
Three cheers for Neoga High:

RAH! RAH! RAH!



MESSENGER

One a month a newspaper called THE MESSENGER is printed by the students of N. T. H. S. The staff this year was the largest that ever existed. Under the sponsorship of Mrs. Renshaw, with Wanda South as editor, and Dean Gordon as junior-editor, it has proven to be a very great success in journalism.

Besides the regular staff, the sophomores, juniors and seniors each contributed one month's copy of this great newspaper.

Mechanical Staff

Sitting: Richard Smith, Betty Huff, Eloise Haskett, Betty Worland, Norma Jean Wolke, Dolores Wilson, Betty Walk, Judy Green, James Hartke, Donna Beals, Jeanine Brown, Janet Green, Louise Miller, Floyd Wentte, Cleo Goad.

Standing: Francis Wassom, Warren Baker, Lloyd Blair, Dean Gordon, Wanda South, Mrs. Renshaw.

Reporters

Sitting: Gene Fox, Carl Brady, Lawrence Fox, Margaret Wassom, Patsy Wentte, Dulcey Brown, Sylve Michlig, Lucille Michlig, Ann Snyder, Earl Hatten, Hazel Beals, Thelma Beals, Dorothy Beals, Charlotte Evans, Don Kraft, Julian Kimery.

Standing: Wanda South, Dean Gordon, Mrs. Renshaw.

LIBRARY CLUB

The Library Club, under the direction of Miss Rasmussen, organized early in September and the following officers were elected to manage the club: Betty Huff, president; Judy Green, vice-president; Marjorie Lindley, secretary; Eleanor Louthan, treasurer; Wanda South, head librarian.

The initiation party for all new members was held in October. Those initiated were: Dolores Wilson, Margaret Saunders, Louise Miller, Janet Green, Ann Snyder, Eloise Haskett, Patsy Wentte, Betty Worland, Sylve Michlig, Dorothy Beals and Donna Beals.

Meetings were held throughout the year to teach the members more about library management. Different members were assigned to take care of the library during study periods and much was done toward organizing and re-cataloging the books. A number of parties were held for the club members' entertainment.

Picture

Sitting—Betty Huff.

Around Desk—Wanda South, Eleanor Louthan, Marjorie Lindley, and Judy Green.

Others Standing—Miss Rasmussen, Dolores Wilson, Donna Beals, Janet Green, Louise Miller, Ann Snyder, Patsy Wentte, Sara Abel, Mary Lou Wentte, Eloise Haskett, Don Kraft, Sylve Michlig, Betty Worland, Gene Fox, Ruth Anderson, Floyd Wentte, Dorothy Beals, Betty Baker, Rose White, Ruth Drennan, Lulu Belle Zimmer, Norma Jean Wolke.





FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

FHA is the departmental organization for homemaking students. To be a member of this organization you must be taking or have taken a year of Home Economics.

The Neoga Chapter of FHA has 35 members. Officers for this year are President, Jeanine Brown; Vice-President, Betty Huff; Secretary, Darlene Gaddis; Treasurer, Wanda South; and Parliamentarian, Marjorie Lindley. Our Chapter Mother is Mrs. Everett Brown and our sponsor is Mrs. Ross Bell. They have been a great big help in making this year a successful one.

Our regular meetings were held on the first Friday of each month at school. Other meetings were held at several of the girls' homes in the evenings.

Our activities for the year included a box supper, the sponsoring of a Leap Year Dance, and a Mother's Tea.

We have had a very satisfactory year. Each girl has served on committees, five of the girls have become Junior Homemakers, and our chapter has had good representation at rallies and meetings.

Our FHA Chapter is looking forward to another good year with a fine group of officers to guide them.





FHA Picture

First Row—Betty Worland, Marjorie Zimmer, Jeanine Brown, Betty Huff, Wanda South, Donna Beals, Marjorie Lindley, Sara Abel, Mrs. Bell.

Second Row—Donna Fort, Lucille Michlig, Hazel Beals, Dorothy Beals, Thelma Beals, Judy Green, Mary Lou Wentte, Eloise Haskett, Patsy Wentte, Eleanor Louthan.

Third Row—Betty Beals, Phyllis Wilson, Pat Ogden, Ida Jane Andrews, Rose White, Ruth Anderson, Norma Jean Wolke, Betty Baker, Louise Lane, Elizabeth Hellman, Norma Barrett.

F. F. A.

The letters FFA stand for a national organization which reaches out to all the states in the United States.

In this organization the true viewpoint of the farm member or "the backbone of the organization" is the motto, which is:

Learning to do
Doing to learn
Earning to Live
Living to Serve

This organization is truly for farm boys who expect and have an interest in farm life. The members elect officers each year to run the organization.

The national emblem of the Future Farmers of America is significant and meaning in every detail. Used by all units of the organization, it is made up of five symbols: the owl, the plow, the rising sun, within the cross section of an ear of corn, which is surmounted by the American Eagle. Upon the face of the emblem appear also the words "Vocational Agriculture" and the letters FFA.

There are thirty members in the FFA and this year officers are: President, Lawrence Fox; Vice-President, Carl Brady; Secretary, Bill Wilson; Treasurer, Raymond Bushur; Reporter, Warren Baker; Sentinel, James Meek; Advisor, Mr. Leming.

Picture—Left to Right

First Row—Raymond Stretch, Jim Meek, Bill Wilson, Carl Brady, Lawrence Fox, Raymond Bushur, Warren Baker, Mr. Leming.

Second Row—Jack Anderson, Robert Miller, Richard Morgan, Roy Walk, Kenneth Wolf, Earl Hatten, John Shuemaker, Russell Blair.

Third Row—Amos Overmeyer, Richard Ogden, Robert Koester, Eugene Hatten, Charles Price, Don Walk, Bill Clark, Dale Morton, Lloyd Blair, Claudius Goad.

Fourth Row—Roy Strohl, Bill Farr, Morris Strohl, Julian Kimery, Gene Fox, Dick Luedke.







MISCELLANY!

Remember When—

Teenie bit Deanie?
Judy loved Jack?
Johnny Wenthe was bashful?
Freshies were shy?
The KRSSC had its beginning?
Hartke didn't zoom around in a Ford?
Foxie drove a beautiful Dodge?

What Would Happen If—

Wanda got to school every Monday morning?
Willie Farr lost his voice?
"Pete's" rabbits didn't multiply?
"Bodie" Strohl didn't have a motorcycle?
Coach Taylor had two sons?
Love wasn't grand?

YEH SCARLET!
YEH GRAY!
COME ON NEOGA,
WHAT SAY?





STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council members were elected at the beginning of the school year as follows: Keith Myers and Donald Sanders, freshmen; Russell Blair and Dolores Wilson, sophomores; Gene Fox and Thelma Beals, juniors; John Wentte and Judy Green, seniors. Mr. Hance serves as adviser.

The purpose of the Council is to give the students a voice in the school government by making suggestions and promoting activities which the students demand. There have been several discussions in the Student Council concerning school activities and the members have tried to decide things which satisfy as well as benefit the students.

Picture

Standing: Donald Sanders and Keith Myers.

Sitting: Dolores Wilson, Russell Blair, Gene Fox, Mr. Hance, John Wentte
Judy Green and Thelma Beals.

1948 CLASS RING

Since NTHS no longer has a standardized ring, the class of 1948 chose a different one. It is pictured at right and shows the Indian head crest with tomahawk, arrows, and a moose head. The year 1948 is printed on either side and Neoga is across the crest. The initials of the owner of each ring are inscribed inside the ring.







THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

With the coming of Miss Cathcart, who teaches music in both grade and high schools, the music department of NTHS has seen much improvement this year.

The band has come up and is increasing. A good many students have purchased instruments and are taking lessons preparatory to playing in the regular band.

Although regular chorus work has not been in our school system for several years, the choruses this year have given some admirable performances.

Within the next few years, Neoga Township High School should be profiting highly from the musical foundation which has been laid this year.



MIXED CHORUS

The boys' and girls' choruses combined to make up the 74 voice mixed chorus. The members made a very striking appearance in their formal dress at the Community Sing, the Spring Concert, and Baccalaureate; the boys in white shirts, dark ties and dark trousers, and the girls in white blouses, dark skirts, and dark string ties.





GIRLS' CHORUS

Last fall, Miss Cathcart tested all the girls' voices. From these she selected about forty girls to form a three-part chorus of altos, second sopranos, and first sopranos. This group had regular practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the music room. The chorus combined with the boys' chorus to sing carols at the Community Sing on December 22, a number of selections at the Spring Concert on April 16, and Baccalaureate on May 23.

1st Row—Miss Cathcart, Mary Ellen Abel, Marjorie Zimmer, Wanda South, Sylve Michlig, Bonnie Baker, Donna Beals, Pat Bushur, Ann Snyder, Doris Icenogle.

2nd Row—Mary Ann Hartke, Mary Morton, Darlene Gaddis, Norma Barrett, Sara Abel, Janet Green, Nancy Lawrence, Patsy Wentte, Dolores Wilson, Christine Pugsley.

3rd Row—Judy Green, Betty Worland, Barbara Moore, Rose White, Ruth Anderson, Phyllis Wilson, Pat Ogden, Margaret Saunders, Louise Miller, Dorothy Beals.

4th Row—Eleanor Louthan, Marjorie Lindley, Jeanine Brown, Ann Huff, Dulcey Brown, Margaret Wassom, Virginia Horn, Louise Lane, Goldie Hill, Wanda Ryder, Betty Huff.

BOYS' CHORUS

The boys' chorus was organized at the beginning of the year under the direction of Miss Cathcart. It consists of thirty-four members, tenors and basses, who have two practices each week.

The three main activities at which the boys' chorus appeared were the Community Sing, December 22, the Spring Concert, April 16, and Baccalaureate, May 23.

1st Row—Miss Cathcart, Lawrence Fox, Dean Gordon, Gilbert Kingery, Gene Fox, Dwight Evans, Don Kraft, Jack Anderson, Jim Lindley.

2nd Row—Richard Smith, Roy Walk, Charles Roy, Richard Kepp, Jim Buchanan, John Wentte, Bill Montgomery, James Hartke, Francis Wassom, Julian Kimery, Eugene Hatten.

3rd Row—Bud Sanders, Robert Miller, Robert Koester, Charles Price, Bill Wentte, Don Stewart, Jim Parker, Carl Scoles, Lloyd Kingery, Roth Iler, Tom Bell, Leo Hardesty.







MUSIC PROJECTS

Under the Direction of Miss Cathcart

The Community Sing—

On Sunday, December 22, a large crowd gathered in the gym to participate in a Christmas Community Sing. Besides listening to numbers sung by the choruses, the octet, and Miss Cathcart; the audience joined in singing many old familiar carols. The evening proved very successful and enjoyable. Affairs of this kind tend to draw the community closer together. May this community sing become a tradition in Neoga!

The Spring Concert—

On April 16, the members of mixed chorus, band, and octet presented a musical program in the gym. This presentation represented the fruits of the past year's work done in the music department of NTHS. It was an admirable performance and real proof that regular practice always bears fruit.

BAND

The school year of '47-'48 has been the first year for a long period of time that NTHS has been blessed with a full-time music instructor. Miss Cathcart came to our school and found practically nothing, but in a short time the music program began to flourish. The high school band is one typical example.

The band made its first appearance on December 12 at the Beecher City game. A week later, at Homecoming, the band made a triumphal entry into the gym between the games, decked out in new uniforms, and made a good showing in their marching, formations, and snappy music.

From Homecoming on through the rest of the basketball season the band appeared at every home game, always with a new formation and a new number or two.

On April 16 the band performed at a well-attended music concert held in the high school gym. The money raised at this concert was used to help finance the music department.

By basketball time next year our band will have grown in size through the promotions in our large corps of beginners. With the experience of this year at school and the weekly band concerts which the band will play throughout the summer months, the Neoga High School band should really be something for our school to be proud of by next year.





BAND PICTURE

First Column: Don Kraft, saxophone; Ruth Drennan, clarinet; Dwight Evans, bass drum; Charles Roy, beginner; Mary Ellen Abel, beginner; Bill Clark, beginner; Jim Lindley, beginner.

Second Column: Dean Gordon, trombone; Doris Icenogle, saxophone; Betty Worland, bass horn; Dolores Wilson, cornet; Jack Anderson, beginner; Nancy Lawrence, melophone.

Third Column: Lawrence Fox, snare drum; Julian Kimery, cornet; Lucille Michlig, beginner; Pat Bushur, clarinet; Marjorie Zimmer, beginner; Bill Farr, baritone; Donald Sanders, beginner.

Fourth Column: Gene Fox, trumpet; Sylve Michlig, trumpet; Bob Koester, beginner; Donna Beals, beginner; Ann Snyder, saxophone; Maxine Walk, beginner; Keith Myers, beginner.

Not Show: Betty Walk, cymbals.

THE OCTET

After Miss Cathcart organized the mixed chorus last fall, she picked four boys and four girls to form an octet. This ensemble first learned some Southern melodies which they sang at a teachers' meeting in Neoga. The octet made its first public appearance between the second and third acts of the Junior Class Play. They also sang at the Community Sing, the Carnival, the Spring Concert, and several times before the student body.

On April 3, the octet journeyed to Bridgeport to enter the sectional district mixed ensemble contest under Class D. They sang "Cheribium Song" and "Steal Away" and received a Division II rating. The certificate received will be framed and placed in the trophy case.

This mixed ensemble has an excellent blend of voices. The members have practiced regularly throughout the year and know a number of unusual arrangements of familiar songs.

PICTURE

First Row: Betty Worland and Jeanine Brown, sopranos; Marjorie Zimmer and Wanda South, altos; Betty Huff, accompanist.

Second Row: Miss Cathcart, director; Jim Buchanan and Jim Hartke, tenors; Don Kraft and Dean Gordon, basses.





Dear Cacheri,

I've enjoyed my Senior Year more than other because we've all been together during the 7th Ed's and the rest of the times we've sung. You've really had to put up with a lot from your little Octet. But we've all had fun. Wish we could be coming back next year.

I hope that you and Bill will be very happy and raise an Octet. Ha! Ha! He'll be around to see you from time to time and see how you are getting along.

Guess He'll stay single for quite awhile. I hope my good times are yet to come.

P.S. I wonder if I should believe all I say about that last song - Ha! Ha!

All my love
Margie



"MY WIFE'S FAMILY"

The Junior Class Play, entitled "My Wife's Family" was presented with great success on October 24, in the gym. The cast was:

Jack Gay, my wife's husband.....	Dean Gordon
Stella Gay, my wife.....	Jeanine Brown
Willie Nagg, my wife's young brother.....	Gilbert Kingery
Sally Nagg, his secret wife.....	Janet Green
Anabella Nagg, my wife's mother.....	Sylve Michlig
Noah Nagg, my wife's father.....	Bill Wilson
Ima Nagg, my wife's sister.....	Doris Icenogle
Dolly White, an actress.....	Lulu Belle Zimmer
"Doc" Knott, a horse doctor.....	Richard Kepp
Lotta Sayles, a literary agent.....	Mary Patrick
Detective Tracken.....	Gene Fox

Director—Mr. Shields

The play was centered around the unpredictable Stella Gay and her family, the Naggs. The in-laws invade the place, much to hen-pecked Noah Nagg's disgust. Complications arise with the coming of a baby, a piano, and "Doc" Knott. In an attempt to straighten things out, "Doc" only manages to make matters worse.

However, Willie writes a book and wins a lot of money which means he and Sally can announce their secret marriage and claim the baby. Jack and Stella get their troubles hashed out. Noah decides to wear the pants in his family and all turns out well. As the curtain goes down, "Doc" howls, "When do we eat?"





JUNIOR PLAY CAST PICTURE

Standing: Mr. Shields, Gene Fox, Bill Wilson, Sylve Michlig, Richard Kepp, Lulu Belle Zimmer, Jeanine Brown, Dean Gordon.

Sitting: Gilbert Kingery, Janet Green, Mary Patrick, Doris Icnogle.

"ONE DELIRIOUS NIGHT"

After looking over a number of possibilities, the seniors selected "One Delirious Night" as their dramatic production for this year. This play was presented on Friday, May 7. The members of the cast were:

Lilly Clark, Mrs. Arnold's maid	Judy Green
Lefty Daggs, her steady, a crook	Lawrence Fox
Mrs. Martha Arnold, a tyrannical grandmother	Betty Worland
Hannah, her cook	Wanda South
Patricia Arnold, her granddaughter	Bonnie Baker
Sally Winfrey, Pat's chum	Betty Huff
Dick Delray, Pat's fiance	Jim Buchanan
Freddie Fenwick, Sally's admirer	John Dollar
Paul Hammond, alias Hawkins, the butler	Floyd Went
Colonel Frank Delray, Dick's grandfather	Don Kraft
Mavis Jordan, Colonel Delray's secretary	Ruth Anderson
Dr. Green, who can cure anything	Lloyd Kingery
O'Brien, a police officer	Carl Brady

Director—Mr. Shields

This delirious night takes place at Mrs. Martha Arnold's residence at Parksdale, a suburb of a midwestern city. It seems that Mrs. Arnold plans for her granddaughter, Pat, to marry Dick Delray, Colonel Delray's grandson. In order to avoid this and still receive the inheritances, Dick and Pat suddenly develop phobias. To further complicate matters, the household also harbors four schemers, all interested in securing the famous heirloom emerald necklace, and a quack doctor who shows up to cure the phobias.

However, at long last, the criminals are brought to justice, Pat and Dick fall in love, and the curtain closes on a happy household.

SENIOR PLAY CAST PICTURE

Sitting: Bonnie Baker, Jim Buchanan, John Dollar, Betty Huff, Lloyd Kingery, Don Kraft.

Standing: Mr. Shields, Betty Worland, Carl Brady, Lawrence Fox, Floyd Went, Wanda South.

Judy Green and Ruth Anderson not shown.





CHRONOLOGICAL ACCOUNT OF THE KINGDOM'S AFFAIRS

SEPTEMBER

- 2—Back to slavery (51 Freshies!)
- 5—Election of Class Officers. (Boys came out ahead.)
- 8—First baseball practice. (Watta workout!)
- 9—First baseball game vs. Altamont there. Victorious, too, 2-0!
- 10—First library club meeting—three boys!
- 11—First Messenger staff meeting—a few more boys; plenty of assignments.
- 12—Second baseball game vs. Beecher City. Rained out here so went there.
- 15—Blue Monday. Librarians begin checking books.
- 16—Third baseball game vs. Brownstown there. (Woe! Got beat 11-1.)
- 17—Library clean-up! Watta mess!
- 18—Chorus members posted. Let's make music!
- 19—Journeyed to Cowden to play fourth baseball game.
- 22—Junior play cast posted!
- 23—Fifth ball game vs. Stewardson. Won in extra innings. F. H. A. box supper. More boxes than boys!
- 24—Band members had first workout with marching drill. "For crying out in the kettle, dress up those lines!"
- 25—Freshies wearing one high heel, carrying glasses of water and rulers, and have red paint on their faces.
- 26—Freshies attired in bathrobes and house slipper. Faculty impersonate Spike Jones at Initiation party.
- 30—Library Club initiates new members! Beecher wins 1-0 Woe, woe!

OCTOBER

- 1—Warning given! Six weeks tests coming up!
- 2—Decide to have five cheerleaders.
- 3—Eighth ball game vs. Brownstown. Horrors! 17-4 their favor!
- 6—Ninth baseball game against Cowden. Hurrah! Won 12-6.
- 7—Moan, moan! Six weeks exams!

- 8—Stewardson wins; Neoga tied for 4th place in league.
- 9-10—Yippee! No school. Good ole teachers' meeting. Band and octet make first formal appearance.
- 13—Basketball practice begins. Shouting and thudding balls in the gym. Cheerleader candidates diligently practicing. 2nd six weeks begins.
- 16—Rousing election of cheer leaders from 18 candidates. First report cards handed out; woe, woe!
- 20—Whoopee! Coach has a new baby daughter!
- 21—First hot lunch served. Twenty cents, please!
- 22—Individual pictures taken of student body. Smile!
- 24—Junior Class play—a howling success!
- 28—Bucket of water dumped on Mr. Shields—Hallowe'en!
- 29—Tomahawk co-editors and business manager elected. School orchestra gives first performance for student body.
- 31—Senior class pictures taken by Spieth—also underclassmen and some groups. Annual cover selected.

NOVEMBER

- 4—FFA boys have party at school. FHA girls have one at Judy's.
- 5—First rehearsal of mixed chorus in study hall.
- 6—Public speaking in English IV. Brady "clumb a fence," so he said.
- 7—First meeting of "Red Peppers."
- 10—Seniors happy (esp. Brady)—Bonnie returns!
- 11—Armistice Day. No school.
- 13—Down payments on Tomahawks pouring in.
- 14—First basketball game vs. Greenup. Shucks, got beat!
- 17—Small pictures come back. Wanna trade?
- 18—Second BB game vs. St. Anthony. Beat again.
- 21—Woe! Beat by Humboldt!
- 24—FFA and FHA party. Hot dogs and cider!

AFFAIRS—Continued

- 25—Second six weeks' exams.
- 26—Scalped by T-Town. Curses!
- 27-28—Bring on the turkey. Thanks-giving.

DECEMBER

- 1—Nominations for Homecoming King and Queen.
- 2—Despair! Grief! Crooked referees! Indians scalped by Louisville.
- 3—Bonnie and Judy tie for Homecoming Queen.
- 4—Final election determined. Judy reigns as Queen; Jim as King.
- 5—This can't go on! Indians downed by Stewardson. Students draw names for Christmas party.
- 9—Same sad sorry sob story; Scalped by St. Elmo.
- 11—First game of noon tournaments. Soph girls beat juniors.
- 12—BB game vs. Beecher City. Yeah, defeated again!
- 15—Seniors get pictures. Postmaster Worland talks to student body.
- 16—Assembly cleared for seniors to work on Homecoming.
- 19—Ah! HOMECOMING. Really scalped by T-Town, but dance was colossal success!
- 21—Community Sing. Big turn out.
- 22—FHA girls have Christmas party at Eloise's.
- 23—Christmas party sponsored by sophs! Turkey dinner! Vacation!
- 30-31—Neoga Holiday tournament. At last—the Indians scalp Toledo—get third place trophy!

JANUARY

- 5—Miss Swinford comes back as Mrs. Bell! NTC tourney at Beecher City. Neoga vs. Altamont. They beat us.
- 7—Woe again! Indians scalped by Stewardson.
- 8—Girls' BB games discontinued—wonder why?
- 9—Where'd Scoles get that burr? He's not the only one!
- 13—Love letter posted on bulletin board. Is Dick's face red! Whoop-pee! Neoga defeats Stewardson!
- 15—Juniors finally sponsor party for sophs for selling play tickets.

- 16—BB game vs. Cowden. Horrors! Scalped again.
- 20—Indians play in overtime vs. Beecher. Worse luck! Beat again.
- 22-34—First semester exams under-way!
- 27—Yeh! Indians score third victory against Lerna. What happened to the Fox boys? Expelled, ya' say?
- 28—No kidding; another victory vs. Toledo.
- 30—It couldn't last — scalped by Brownstown.

FEBRUARY

- 2—"Skinny Slickers" and "Hotrods" play first boys' intramural BB game.
- 3—Whew! Indians down Humboldt by one point.
- 5—Gym undergoes transformation for carnival.
- 6-7—This is it; the Big Carnival! Step right up!
- 9—All the romances seem to be hitting the rocks. Is it a fever?
- 10—Must be a good thing: Indians scalp St. Anthony. FFA-FHA journey to Champaign for FARM-HOME week.
- 11—Spieth takes more annual pictures.
- 12—Looks like soph girls get the trophy for basketball.
- 13—Nuts! Charleston defeats Indians.
- 17—Aha! Indians scalp Lerna.
- 18—Some Pep hats come: "purdy."
- 20—Sob! Altamont scores a victory against Indians.
- 23—Seniors begin magazine campaign.
- 24—Indians really scalp Toledo!
- 25—New kitchen is now completed.
- 27—Color Day! Silent pep meeting. Last game vs. Newton. Foiled!
- 28—Band gives complete review of formations. FHA sponsors Leap Year dance. Grab your men, gals!

MARCH

- 2—Boxing in corridor. Brady breaks thumb—the jerk!
- 3—Indians play Effingham in tournament; got beat.
- 4—"Tom Brown's School Days" pre-





AFFAIRS—Continued

sented in study hall (a movie, that it.)

- 6—Grade School operetta presented in gym.
- 10—Big snow. Who said spring was here?
- 11—Magazine sales completed. Seniors clear \$105.26!
- 12—Teachers' meeting. No school. Bus takes students to see "Julius Caesar" in Decatur.
- 16-17—Inter-class tournament; juniors champs! Mr. Zeigel from Charleston talks to Seniors.
- 18—Radios blaring. State tournament.
- 19—Still blaring. Seniors select class play.
- 22—Indians journey to NTC banquet.
- 25-28—Easter vacation. Welcome Easter Bunny!
- 30—FHA girls feed the Chamber of Commerce. No complaints!
- 31—Ah! Basketball banquet; Brady walks off with both trophies. Plenty of food for all.

APRIL

- 1—That's a joke, son!
- 3—Octet enters sectional contest in Bridgeport—Division II rating.
- 5—Seniors begin night play practice. Hot dog!

7—"Rinkydinks" and "Skinny Slickers" play off championship game at noon. "Rinkydinks" are the champs by two points.

- 8—FLASH! Judy operated on for appendicitis. Still gets to be in play.
- 12—Coach returns after week's illness. Baseball games are coming up!
- 15—Six weeks' exams. Ugh!
- 16—Spring Concert. Sing Dickie!
- 29—Father and Son FFA banquet. Girls get to serve!
- 30—Senior play practice in full swing!

MAY

- 7—Seniors present "One Delirious Night." Laughs galore!
- 12—Juniors feverishly decorating for Prom.
- 13—Ah! the Night. Junior-Senior banquet. Prom in gym. Wahoo!
- 17—Final exams coming up. Start digging!
- 23—Baccalaureate.
- 24-25—Semester exams. Seniors take big TRIP!!
- 27—Goodbye Alma Mater! (Sob) Graduation.
- 28—All school picnic at Fox Ridge. More fun!





MY SECRET AMBITION

- Judy Green—Join the Waves!
Floyd Wente—Do as little as possible and get paid for it!
Lawrence Fox—Be a second Gene Krupa!
Jim Buchanan—Be a coach!
Carl Brady—Be a big league baseball player!
Jim Meek—Have a new Ford '48.
Warren Baker—Marry a girl like my mother!
Lloyd Blair—Raise a fine set of whiskers and kids!
John Dollar—Retire at a young age!
James Harlike—Be supported by my children at a fairly young age!
Earl Hatten—Get a new car every year free of charge!
Lloyd Kingery—Travel all over the world!
Don Kraft—See the world through a transit!
Morris Strohl—Spend each season resting up for the coming season!
Francis Wassom—Retire early at night!
John Wente—Join the French foreign legion!
Marjorie Zimmer—Go to the Hawaiian Islands.
Bet Worland—Eat a big fat lobster!
Betty Walk—Get married!
Wanda South—Find someone who can give me orders and make me like it!
Bonnie Baker—Be a Wave and marry the captain of the ship!
Ruth Anderson—Travel, just anywhere!
Betty Huff—Join the Waves and marry a sailor!





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ALICE JACOBSEN—Student of the University of Illinois.
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KAY KRAFT—Student of the University of Illinois.
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NORMA FERRIS—Married and living in Mattoon.
MARVIN FOSBINDER—Working at Garwood in Mattoon.
RUTH CROSS—Beauty operator and living in Mattoon.
WILMA CLARK—Now a nurse.
FRANCIS ANDERSON—Recently discharged from Navy and working for a Chicago meat packing company.
NORMA HUFF—Working at Neoga Mfg. Co. in Neoga. Recently married Joy Blair.
DELORES WENTE—Now Mrs. Gail Barber.
GLEN LAWRENCE—In the Navy.
LUCILLE BAKER—Now Mrs. Leroy Buchanan and attending Eastern State College.
KATHRYN WALLACE—Now married.
MARJORIE SELL—Now married.
NORMA PARKER—At home in Lerna.
NORMAN LANE—In the Navy.
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BOB CRAWFORD—Working for Meadow Gold in Mattoon.
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JUANITA ROBEY—Now Mrs. Eddie Campbell and living in Kansas City.
BOB BENEFIEL—Working at Kuehne's in Mattoon.
ROBERTA STORM—Working at G. E. in Mattoon.
PHILIP YOUNG—Student at Eastern.
ROSE ANNA BUSHUR—Working at G. E. in Mattoon.
DEAN MECHLING—Living on a farm in northern Illinois.
DOROTHY BAKER—Working at Kern Mfg. Co.
ROY ELLIS—Student at Eastern.
KATHERINE WALK—Working at G. E. in Mattoon.
WAYNE CLARK—At home farming.
JOANNA HAYES—Student at Carlinville.
ELMER HATTEN—Working at Garwood in Mattoon.
JUNE HARDING—Secretary at Eastern.
THERESA ABEL—Is now married.
RUTH DEARMAN—Now Mrs. Aubrey Lane; living in Neoga.
LOUISE BRAY—Working at G. E. in Mattoon.
RITA WORLAND—Attending business college in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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JEAN SNYDER—Student at Eastern.
BILL KRITZ—Student at U. of I.
BOB WENTE—Working in Neoga.
DOROTHY STORM—Recently was married.
JACK ELLIS—Working in Gilman for I. C. railroad.
LOLA LAWRENCE—Working for Journal-Gazette in Mattoon.
DEAN LAWRENCE—Working with father and living at home.
DONALD VAN SCYOC—In the Army.
THELMA WALK—Working at G. E. in Mattoon.
LUELLA WHITE—Working at Kern Mfg. Co.
DORIS LINDLEY—Working as a secretary at Kuehne's.
LENORA OVERMEYER—Working in Mattoon at telephone office.
LUCILLE FOX—Working as secretary at Kuehne's.
HELEN NORTHCUTT—Living at home.
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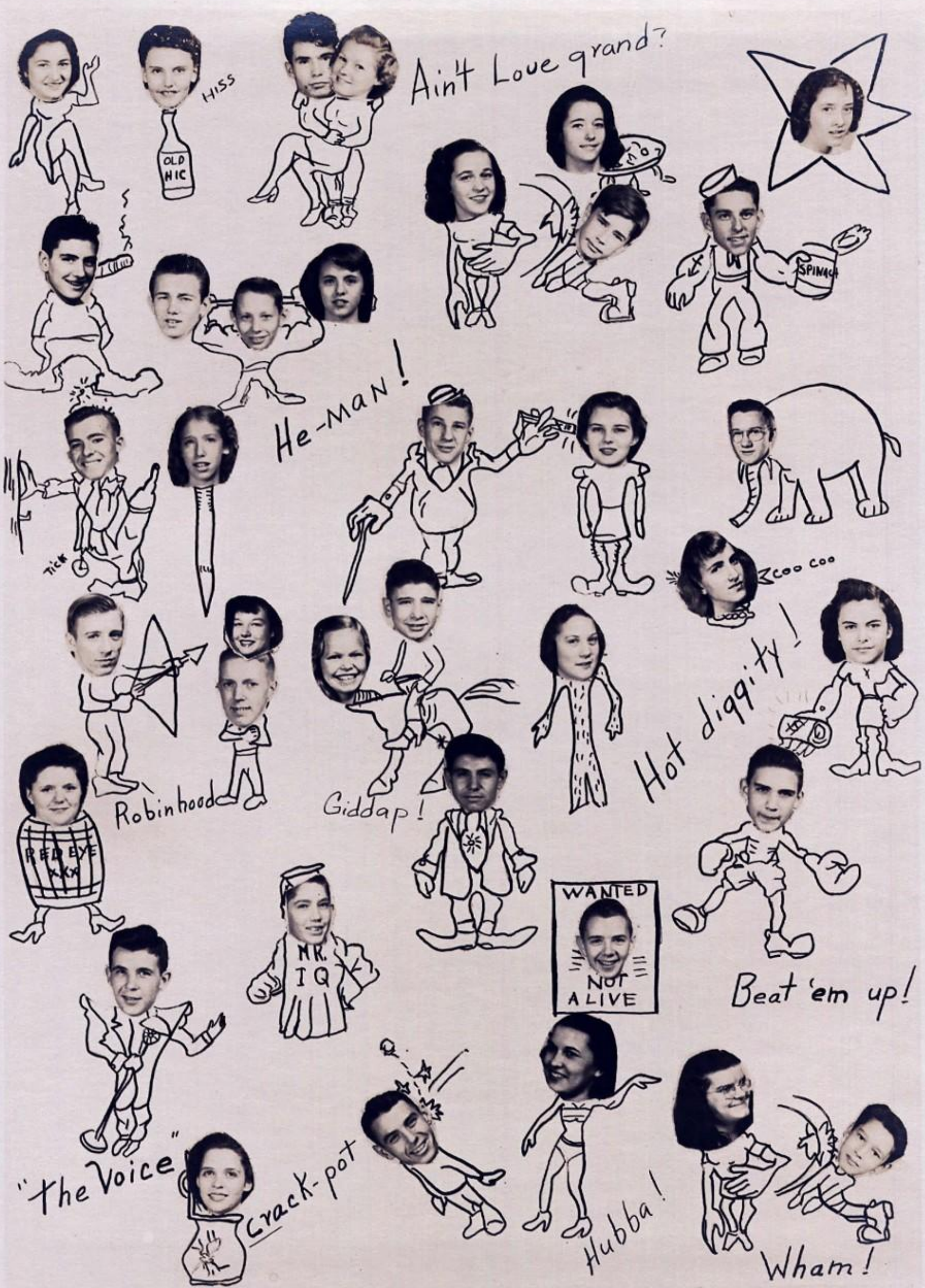
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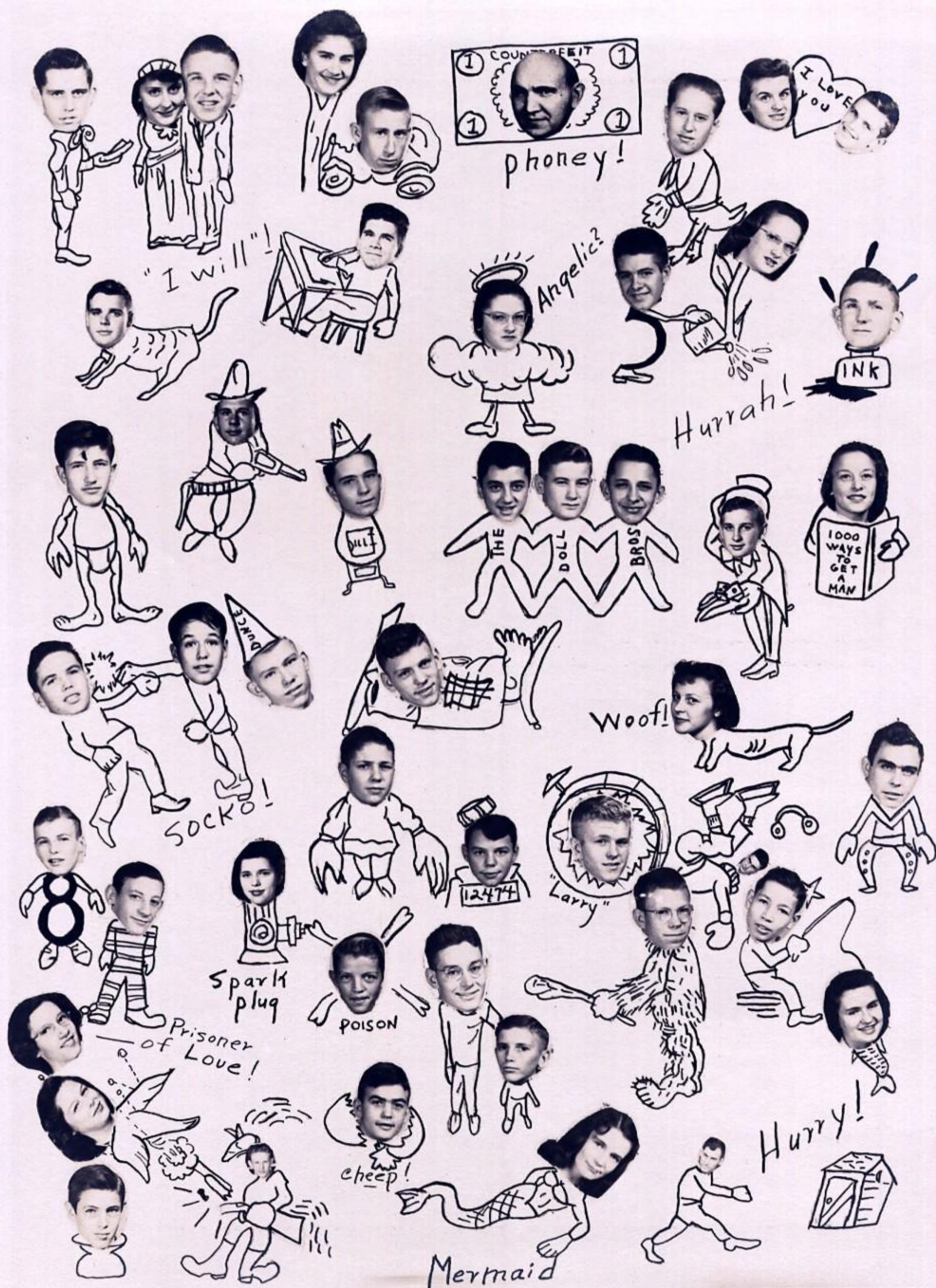
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Dear Cathy,
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ever made.

I wish I knew half as much
about music as you do. You also
have the ability to tell other people
what you want out of them.

Good luck to you and your married
life. Don't have any music stands
around there to throw at Bill.

Sure have enjoyed acting. I liked
it a lot better than chorus. Especially
tripped Chorus.

Glad you liked the class play.

Will miss you like the devil.

Don't forget me & look me up
sometime.

Love,

Handa

Dear Cathy,

It really has been swell to be under ^{your} direction this year as well as being just a Cal. I've really appreciated all you've done for me even if I haven't showed my appreciation any too well.

The Octet had all their success only because of you and your help. We owe it all to you.

In spite of temper etc. from both of us I've really appreciated our companionship and I'm looking forward to next year. I really don't have intentions to play next school year in the band but I suppose it's impossible even to expect to escape your "Clutches". Well anyway I'll enjoy seeing you around.

Lot of love to you and Bill in your married life.
May all your happiness be "little ones"

Just a Cal (under your direction)
Love "Crash" Gordon

To Cathy -
who has really
done wonders in our
music department this
year. As of course we won't
forget all the seventh
of octet practice upon the music
room, the times we made our public
appearances the little Christmas party we
had, the district contest, Spring Concert, state
contest, the band appearances, and so on.
Needless to say, I wish you and Bill the best
of every thing. Love, luck, happiness always and
thanks ever so much for all you have done!
Betty

Dear Cathy (or should it be
Miss Cathcart)?

Well I don't hardly know
what to say or how to begin. I certainly
have enjoyed being under your direction. I feel
I have learned more about the cornet
& how to play than ever before. (Please
excuse the blot). I have had more
darned fun in band & chorus this year & I
hope I didn't disturb things too much.

Well best of luck to a swell
teacher. And thanks a lot for going
with us to get my "Eels".

Julian
"Duffe"

Dear Cathy,

Thank you a million for helping me so much this year. I know all the octet has learned an awful lot and we've had so much fun learning.

Now that you are getting married, we want to try hard to do your wedding songs just right and do our best job yet to kind of pay you back. I wish you and Bill every possible joy and a very happy life together. When you get your house fixed up, I'm going to come over and see it, O.K.?

Love and
happiness to Cathy
from Jeanine

Dear Cathy,

Thank you for all the things you did for me. I have enjoyed your class better than any other class. I want to wish you a very happy married life. Remember all those good times we have had together. This is all I can think of to say. Good luck. See you in chorus.

Jim Parker



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